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5 O'CLOCK EXTRA AT ST. LOUIS.

Democrats Gather in Convention Hall.

A Thurman Cyclone is Expected.

Assembling of the Great Con- vention.

Address of S. M. White, the Temporary Chairman.

Chairman White Receives Great Applause.

All the Delegates on Their Feet Yelling for Cleveland.

Recess Taken Until 10 O'Clock To- Morrow Morning.

BY SPECIAL PORTAL WIRE TO THE EVENING WORLD.

CONVENTION HALL, ST. LOUIS, JUNE 5.—11
a. m.—The delegates are assembling in
the hall and there is an incessant hum of
voices.

11.35.—The band is playing "Dixie," and
there is great cheering. The scene is full of
enthusiasm and good nature.

11.45.—Bishop Granberry, of the Metho-
dist Episcopal Church, South, has been se-
lected to make the invocation.

11.50.—The sight of the big banner of the
Hendricks Club of Indianapolis created the
wildest excitement among the Indiana
people.

12.30 p. m.—Fourteen States have raised the
red bandanna for Thurman, as well as several
Territories. Gray hats are being raised in
many parts of the hall, and loud shoutings
are heard for the Indiana Governor.

12.35.—The Tennessee delegation have
raised a Gray hat, a red bandanna and Black
flag to show that they are divided.

12.40.—Chairman Barnum raps the conven-
tion to order.

12.41.—Bishop Granberry, of Missouri, is
now opening the convention with prayer.
The delegates remained standing during the
prayer. There were cries of "Louder" from
the rear of the hall.

12.45.—At the conclusion of the invocation
Judge S. M. White, of California, was intro-
duced as temporary Chairman.

Secretary Prince read the names of the
temporary officers. At the mention
of the names of Temporary Chairman
White, of California, and Secretary Prince
there was great applause.

12.46.—Senator Gorman, Mr. Brice, of
Ohio, and Mr. Dawson, of South Carolina,
were appointed to escort Chairman White to
the chair.

12.46.—California's delegation gave three
cheers, standing, for Chairman White. His
remarks were punctuated with applause and
cries of "Hurrah for California!" from the
California delegation.

12.51.—White's speech provoking great en-
thusiasm.

12.53.—White's allusion to success of Demo-
cratic Administration well received.

12.55.—The mention of Cleveland's name
created the wildest applause. The entire
Convention was on its feet cheering.

12.56 p. m.—References to tariff reform by
Mr. White created much enthusiasm. There
was tremendous appl. use at the name of
Grover Cleveland.

1.—White's speech finished.

1.10.—Gov. Green, of New Jersey, offered a
resolution not to allow any State to change
its vote until all States had voted. Adopted.

1.11.—Colorado presents to Chairman a
solid silver gavel.

1.12.—Senator Gorman offered a resolution
for call of States to announce committees on
Credentials, Platform Organization, &c.

1.20.—Delegates are being called. An enor-
mous crowd in building; perfect order and
unusual stillness.

1.23.—Chairman having trouble in preserv-
ing order during calling roll of States for
members of committees, which is now pro-
ceeding.

1.24.—Kentucky named Henry Watterson as
member of Committee on Resolutions.
There was long and continued cheering.

1.30.—The names of Arthur Gorman, of
Maryland; Leon Abbott, of New Jersey, and
Edward Cooper, of New York, members of

the Resolutions Committee, were greeted
with applause.

1.32.—The convention is disputing over a
motion of Mr. Baker, of Ohio, to admit
united clubs to the sessions.

1.34.—The matter of admitting the uni-
formed clubs was referred to the National
Committee.

1.35.—Tammany and County Democracy
not in the hall.

1.36.—Roswell P. Flower, of New York, was
greeted with applause when he arose to move
that when the convention adjourned it ad-
journ to noon to-morrow. Gov. Abbott, of
New Jersey, offered an amendment, which
was accepted, fixing the hour at 10 o'clock.
Motion adopted.

1.38.—The convention has taken a recess
until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

During the recess the National Committee
has ordered the Sergeant-at-Arms to admit
united clubs to a view of the hall.

STEVEN M. WHITE'S ADDRESS.

Words of Democratic Wisdom from the Cal-
ifornia Orator.

Following is the address of the temporary
chairman:

MR. CHAIRMAN AND GENTLEMEN OF THE CONVEN-
TION: Profoundly grateful for the distinction just
conferred upon me, I am conscious that I have
been forechosen for this position because of your
appreciation of that important section of our
country from whence I came. I can answer that those
who are in heart present will regard with satisfaction
the recognition which they have thus received
not because of any unconscious ability or influence
of mine, but for the reason that this is the
only instance in the history of our National Con-
ventions in which the Pacific Slope has been ac-
cording such an honor.

California was acquired under Democratic rule.
It became a commonwealth under Democratic
auspices. It is therefore fitting that the bestowal
of this honor should emanate from the organization
whose patriotism and courage gave her to the
American Union and that that party should be
the first to press forward with party fondness the
children of those who knocked and did not knock
in vain for admission of the privileges of State-
hood.

I congratulate you not merely as Democrats, but
as American citizens, upon the encouraging cir-
cumstances which attend the inauguration of our
proceedings.

REPUBLICAN FALLACIES.

For the first time during a period of more than a
quarter of a century the Democratic National Con-
vention is held while the affairs of the government
are conducted under a Democratic Administration.
Up to the last Presidential Convention the Republi-
can party declared that Democratic success meant
national ruin, and that whatever might be said of
the crimes and transgressions of those then in
authority, yet to no other keeping could the wel-
fare of the United States be safely confided.

This doctrine was repudiated at the polls, and the
experience of almost four years has demonstrated
that the severest and charges were unwarranted
and were wrong.

The people were right in demanding and com-
pelling a radical change. The platform of 1884
was adopted by our last National Convention pre-

dicted with accuracy the rules of conduct which
should control government action.

Grover Cleveland was selected by that conven-
tion as the man whose firmness, ability, integrity
and statesmanlike qualities preeminently fitted
him to undertake the task of carrying out the
great reforms thus suggested by the organization
whose tenets he has ever been ready to yield
compliance.

No public servant ever responded to the calls of
duty more fully or in better faith than our honored
President. Unquestionably in the discharge of his
trust, he has never failed to apply to affairs of state
the sound maxims, the observance of which is
even more desirable in public than in private
station.

REVENUE REFORM.

For years it had been generally conceded that it
was necessary to reform the tariff. The existing
law upon the subject had been called into being
during the excitement and because of the exigen-
cies of war. The Republic can pry, while not de-
stroying the necessity for reform, has ever failed to
seek an remedy, and has uniformly thwarted
the efforts of the Democracy to afford the needed
relief.

The present Administration has realized the
promise made by the Democratic Convention of
1884. It has sought to reduce and to force the revenue
so as to prevent accumulation in the Treasury, and
has at the same time taken the requisite steps to
foster and protect home industries. It has dis-
courage the centralization of wealth and has en-
abled, as far as the circumstances permit, those
in the less favored walks of life to enjoy the
benefits of their exertions.

In other words, the Democratic Administration
has used its utmost endeavor to faithfully carry
out the platform upon which our great reform vic-
tory was achieved.

REVENUE OBSTRUCTION.

If the tariff has not been modified it was be-
cause of Republican obstruction. The existence
of an enormous surplus in the Treasury threatens
the industries of the country and is a constant
source of injury to the consumer and to them of
moderate means, who find it difficult to procure
monetary assistance because of the withdrawal of
large portions of the circulating medium.

This unfortunate situation is directly attributed
to the policy of the Republican party, whose aim
has ever been to encourage and enrich monopolies
and to ignore the interest of the masses.

During the Republican dominancy many millions

of acres of the public domain passed into the hands
of corporate and foreign syndicates formed for the
creation of individual fortunes.

The obligations imposed as conditions precedent
to the investment of this were persistently violated
by the beneficiaries, and these violations passed
unheeded until the Democratic Administration, in
conformity with the doctrine of the party, de-
clared the forfeiture, thus tendering to those seek-
ing homes in good faith more than forty millions
of acres which had been withheld by the Republi-
can party for the benefit of the selfish few.

NO ALIEN LAND GRABBERS.

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statute has been enacted preventing the acquisition
of lands by those not citizens of the United States,
and restricting the power of corporations to ob-
tain title to realty in the Territories. If the pre-
ceding Republican Administration had adopted
the present Democratic policy there would have
been preserved a home for settlers locating in good
faith on the immense tracts of fertile soil now in
the hands of corporations and foreign speculators.

SOMETHING ABOUT THE CHINESE.

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vation and lured to unremunerative toil has
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Mongolian from our shores, and which for the
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tion of the frauds upon our immigration laws now
practiced by that race, and to preserve us from
the competition of the cheap Chinese labor.

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from the Southern Hotel, where most of the
delegates are quartered, and a good many of
them improved the opportunity to ride upon
the cable-cars. The New Yorkers are much
impressed with these cars and wonder why it
is that New York City cannot have these mod-
ern rapid transit.

It was apparent that the St. Louis police
prepared to have things go along quietly and
peaceably. There were several hundred of
them on hand surrounding the building, and
they had taken the further precaution to run
a rope along the edge of the sidewalk, beyond
which no one could pass unless he had the
pasteboard that entitled him to enter the hall.

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noon to talk and dicker, but the announce-
ment this morning that the convention would
be called at ten o'clock instead of noon made
them bolt their breakfasts and hurry to their
headquarters to begin the caucuses which
shall decide finally what stand they are to
take on the question of Vice-President.

It is a ground of complaint among the dele-
gates that no programmes of the convention
have been distributed. Everything is being
attended to on hearsay. Thus far they are in
the dark as to the outcome of the convention
work.

As the delegates were rushing to caucus
from breakfast it was hard to stop one to find
out what his State proposed to do.

At their rooms in the Lindell House the
Indians were contemptuous at the notion
industriously circulated in some quarters
that they intended the withdrawal of Gray's
name in view of the setting tide against him.

"No," said a delegate, "we'll stand by him
to the very last."

California remains solid for Thurman. The
Californians boast of him as their candidate.
They say that they would be glad to vote
for him for President. He was California's
choice for the White House in 1884. Penn-
sylvania is still all right for Thurman's
column, should a ballot be taken.

J. M. Weston, Mayor of Grand Rapids,
Mich., and member of the National
Committee, says: "Michigan is divided
on the Vice-Presidency. A majority
of the delegates favor Thurman; Black
has some supporters. When the time
comes we may plank down twenty-
six votes for Thurman. Tennessee
is all at sea. At an informal conference this
morning it was discovered that Black and
Gov. Gray had friends in the delegation.

Thurman, however, has a majority of the
delegation. Arkansas has jumped into the
Thurman wagon to stay, and Mississippians
are yelling for Thurman. There is not a
break in